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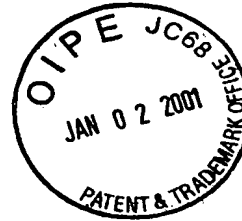
Title: IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM WITH  
SCANNER CAPABLE OF CHANGING  
MAGNIFICATION LEVEL OF SCANNED  
IMAGE

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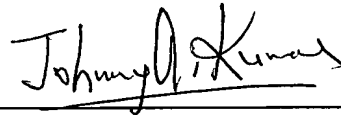
Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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